

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

December 10, 2009

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Donald Kasprzak, Councilors Tim Carpenter (W1), Michael Kelly (W2), George Rabideau (W3), Jim Calnon (W4), Amy Valentine (W5), Chris Jackson (W6)

Absent: None

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion to remove item 1 from the Table

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on November 24, 2009 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on December 3, 2009 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending December 9, 2009 in the amount of \$ 322,511.52 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Jackson

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

4. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of December 3 – December 9, 2009
- Report from the Building Inspector's Office from November 17 – December 4, 2009
- Receipt of Finance Dept Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for October and November 2009
- Report from Community Development Office on project status as of November 30, 2009

RESOLVED: That the reports as read are hereby ordered, received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
 Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
 (All voted in the affirmative)

5 CORRESPONDENCE & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

6. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills approved by the Auditing Committee of the Common Council in the amount of \$ 1,975,045.39 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk (where required) are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Calnon
 Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
 (All voted in the affirmative)
 Discussion:

Mayor Kasprzak stated that it is a big number.

Councilor Calnon responded that it is a big number that is driven mainly by slightly over a million dollar retirement contribution, it is an annual contribution.

Councilor Jackson stated we are paying the state on time.

Councilor Calnon said we are actually paying the state early and get a discount for doing that.

Councilor Jackson stated our aim is another story.

Councilor Calnon stated we will have to wait and see.

Councilor Carpenter asked how much was this year compared to last year's? **City Chamberlain Richard Marks** stated this year's payment was \$1,212,000, last year's payment was \$1,431,000, and next year's is projected to be \$1,900,056.00.

Mayor Kasprzak stated that the \$1,900,056 is what he is worried about.

Councilor Calnon said that is why we started the \$77,000 in the reserve now and proposition to put

some more in.

Mayor Kasprzak said if our municipal aid is reduced which he thinks it is going to be then with the reduction the 1,900,056 cost is going to be challenging.

7. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL: None

8. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the regular Common Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 24, 2009 will be changed due to the Christmas Holiday to Tuesday, December 22, 2009 beginning at 5:30 pm. The work session will begin at 5 pm.

By Councilor Kelly; Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the regular Common Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 31, 2009 will be changed due to the New Year's Eve Holiday to Tuesday, December 29, 2009 beginning at 5:30 pm. The work session will begin at 5 pm.

By Councilor Calnon; Second by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Bill Treacy, Manager MLD to advertise for sealed bid for PMLD BID NO. 2009-12-1 "Install fencing and vehicle gate, Green Street." Bid Opening Date: January 5, 2010 at 11:00 am.

By Councilor Jackson; Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the request from the Office of Community Development to approve a change order for Project Main St. BIP 2008 #1 (North Country Co-op, 25 Bridge St.) for \$5790.00. During installation of the awning, front window transom repairs were noted to be required. The change order will be paid through the revolving loan fund.

By Councilor Carpenter; Second by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the request from City Engineer to amend the current GIS services agreement with Fountains Spatial, Inc to include "GIS Technical Support & Grant Writing Assistance" in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be funded from Capital Project (H5110.13) "2005 GIS Project."

By Councilor Rabideau; Second by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Jennifer Boyer to hold the 3rd Annual Race for Stace sponsored by KCB, Inc dba Warren Tire Service Center on Saturday, April 24, 2010 at 9 am at the US Oval. The run/walk benefits the Stacey Lynn Frechette Scholarship Fund.

By Councilor Kelly; Second by Councilor Calnon

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

10. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Kasprzak wanted to thank Mike Brodi and the staff at Public Works for the excellent job they did on snow removal. The Mayor's office didn't get any calls on it and for the record we had 88

cars towed. He can't understand why we had so many cars to be towed when we put the lights on in the morning and notify people on the news and on the website.

Councilor Jackson said he walked around the city after the storm and the sidewalks were clean.

Mayor Kasprzak stated he also walked and found that 95% of sidewalks were clean.

Councilor Kelly asked who did the sidewalks at City Hall. **Mayor Kasprzak** stated our Public Works folks. **Councilor Kelly** said they did an excellent job. **Mayor Kasprzak** agreed they do an outstanding job.

Keith Herkalo, City Clerk wanted to remind everyone that the fund raiser for the Clinton County Veterans and WOKO will be tomorrow at the Monument they will be here starting at 5:30 am.

12. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:40 pm